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## GRADUATES' RECEPTION

Will be Held at Rauscher's on June 3. Undergraduates to be Admitted This Year.

Because of the repeated demands in former years on the part of undergraduates for tickets to the Graduates' Ball and Reception, the function this year has been placed under the control of the Association of Class Presidents, and an endeavor will be made to make it more than ever a University function. To this end it has been decided that while the graduates will be admitted free as heretofore, a limited number of tickets will be placed on sale among the undergraduate students.

These tickets, admitting one, may be obtained from the several Senior Class Presidents at the office of the treasurer of the University or in The Hatchet office, for one dollar.

The affair this year promises to be the most successful of its kind ever held in the University. The new system of distributing tickets will reduce considerably the crowded condition of the floor which has been somewhat unpleasant in former years. Inasmuch as the association has no desire to make a profit, but merely to clear expenses, a limited number of tickets has been issued and President Houghton declares that ample accommodations have been provided for all who attend.

This is the first function of its kind given primarily for the benefit of the students ever held in the University. In addition, the

moderate charge places the event easily within the reach of all. Since the University pays for the graduates, every purchaser of a ticket receives the full return on his investment.

There has been a steady demand for tickets during the past few days, and those who have not already done so are advised to make early application.

### STUDENTS, ATTENTION.

The unparalleled success of our first Annual Minstrel Show has been instrumental in giving to those who participated therein an impetus to form a permanent Dramatic Club at George Washington.

A meeting for permanent organization will take place in West Hall, June 2, at 8 p. m.

All students interested should be on hand to encourage this excellent move and to give the men a material basis on which to work throughout the coming vacation.

### NOTICE.

Members of the recently organized Cosmopolitan Club who wish to purchase a copy of the *Cosmopolitan Annual* for 1908, may secure same from Mr. Peck for twenty-five cents a copy. The *Annual* contains an account of the convention held at Madison, Wisconsin, December 28th, 1907, histories of the various college chapters of the association, the address of the Hon. John Barrett to the Cornell chapter, some interesting editorial matter prophesying the splendid future of the organization, and statistical data relative to the strength and distribution of the associa-

## AN APPEAL TO THE STUDENT BODY.

### THE CHERRY TREE IN DESPERATE STRAITS.

Unless the students will rally to its support the inevitable result will be that its publication will be discontinued.

At the time this issue of The Hatchet goes to press *The Cherry Tree* has 80 *unredeemed* subscriptions on its hands, and over 200 copies unsold out of a 500 copy edition for a University of 1,300 students. This means a financial loss on the book of between three and four hundred dollars unless conditions are radically changed for the better by your own actions.

The eighty students who have subscribed and not secured their books are entreated to redeem these copies at once.

The thousand or odd students in the University who have not yet purchased a copy of *The Cherry Tree* are urged on their patriotism and loyalty to the school not to let this book run any risk of perishing, and not to throw this personal financial loss on the Editor and Business Manager.

Act at once.

There are a great many beautiful half-tone illustrations of the officers and members of the association, and the publication is attractively bound. This is the second number of the *Annual* and it is certainly worth the price. There are but twelve copies remaining and these will be sold to those who first call for them.

Professor Mitchell Carroll has been invited to give an address before the International Sunday School Association at its meeting in Louisville, June 17-22, on

"Methods of Teaching Organized Men's Classes in Sunday Schools."

### LARGEST FLAG UNFURLED.

Washington, June 16.—The largest flag in the United States was unfurled here on Flag Day at the Postoffice Department. It is about 40 by 60 feet in dimensions.

The Classical Club of Barnard College gave a Latin presentation of one of the dramas of Plautus. "The Formio" of Terence given last year.

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Annapolis appears to have the strongest fencing team in the country this year.

Howard H. Jones, Yale end of last year, will coach the Syracuse football team next season.

Harvard will debate with Yale, May 1st, at New Haven.

The University Crew management of Yale and Harvard have completed arrangements for the annual crew races to be held this year on June 25, on the Thames River, at New London.

In the early part of this year the University of Virginia started a new idea in the form of a "College Hour," which has met with great success. Once a month the faculty and student body get together, get acquainted, and discuss questions of interest to the welfare of the University. One hour during the day is set apart for this, during which all lectures are suspended.

The Ohio Wesleyan University has just completed several magnificent additions to its campus, given by its renowned body of alumni. Among the buildings are a splendid Berea stone dormitory for the Freshmen with a commons

in one wing; another, the Westgate Union—a students' building containing spacious smoking and lounging rooms in addition to library and billiard rooms—which will be dedicated on June 1st with such prominent alumni as Vice-President Fairbanks and Senator Foraker presiding. Following out the general plan, the local chapter of Beta Theta Pi is completing a \$45,000 chapter house, the gift of W. R. DeLancy, '58, and W. J. Pattison, '57, in memory of their classmate, General R. J. Jamison, '58.—*Ohio State Lantern*.

The Daily Californian has overcome the financial difficulties which threatened to put an end to its career, and has resumed publication in the same form it had before.

The summer term at Michigan has been lengthened to eight weeks.

By the will of Mrs. Amy R. Sheldon, widow of a Harvard graduate of 1842, her husband's alma mater is bequeathed \$800,000.

A summer school of ethics is to be held at the University of Wisconsin.

It is likely that the University of Washington will have a college daily next year. At the present time the Pacific Wave, the student paper there, is issued twice a week, and has a large circulation.

A Democratic club has been formed at Harvard.

"Oh, What's the Use!"—Emanuel Lasker, the chess expert, was discussing in New York, the ethics of a certain style of play, says the *Washington Star*.

"Well," he ended, laughing, "I suppose it is all right; but it is intricate, eh? It is like the sub-

ject discussed in the debating society.

"Is it wrong?"—that was the subject of debate—"Is it wrong to cheat a lawyer?"

"The decision after three hours' argument was:

"Not wrong, but too difficult to pay for the trouble."

Lippincott tells a good story concerning a cockney solicitor who was characteristically mixed in the use of his h's. Happening to meet one of the wits of the American bar, the Englishman was commenting on the legal profession of New York, and remarked that its members were proficient and learned, but that they were absolutely ignorant on the subject of "hentails."

"Ah!" said the American. "My dear, sir, we may be ignorant of the 'hentail,' but our knowledge of the 'cocktail' is unsurpassed."

(In Practice) Admiring Friend—"I see that you are now practicing law."

Frank Fledgling—"No, sir, I appear to be practicing law, but I am really practicing economy."  
—*The Green Bag*.

The *Chicago Law Journal* is credited with the following story, which will be thoroughly appreciated by the members of Professor Lorenzen's class in *Conflict of Laws*:

The Census Taker—"Your name, mum?"

"I don't know."

"Beg pardon, mum?"

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man: As his testimony progressed his ignorance became so shockingly evident that the judge looking sternly down at him, said:

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"The witness answered anxiously:

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The Quadrangle Chess League composed of Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton, will challenge Oxford and Cambridge to an international tourney between representatives of English and American universities, the match to be played by cable this spring. Representatives from Cornell and the University of Pennsylvania will probably be asked to participate.

The Inter-collegiate Fencing Association will hold its annual inter-collegiate championship tournament at the New York Athletic Club on March 27th and 28th.

### DEFINITE.

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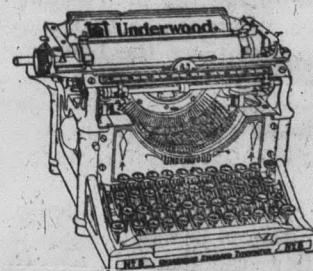
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 1908.

The failure of The Hatchet to appear during the present month may be attributed to two causes. In the first place the University was not in regular session and as a consequence the supply of news was almost cut off. In the second place the entire editorial staff was busily engaged in an endeavor to pass examinations. Under the circumstances it was thought best to follow the example of other college papers and temporarily suspend publication.

The next issue will contain as complete a report as possible of the events of commencement week. In order to cover all the events it is probable that a delay of one or two days will be found necessary.

It is unfortunate that so much criticism should have been aroused at the manner in which the recent Athletic Association election was conducted. We have received numerous complaints from members of the association to the effect that the remarkable system of distributing ballots and receiving votes adopted by those in charge made it practically impossible for them to exercise the right of suffrage for which they had paid.

Whatever foundation there may be for certain wild charges of corruption, it would certainly seem regrettable that the only place where ballots could be cast should have been placed in a department of the University where there are scarcely half a dozen members of the Association. To students with class and dinner engagements the time consumed in voting under this system must have been no small item. We have heard of

some who expended half an hour in a vain effort to find some one from whom they might get an official ballot. That the number thus hindered was large would seem to be shown by the fact that scarcely half of the membership of the Association voted.

These remarks in no way reflect upon the gentlemen elected. The vote was so overwhelmingly in their favor that even had all the other members of the association voted against them the result would probably not have been changed.

But it does seem that something is radically wrong with a system which permits such occurrences. The members for the association pay for the right of suffrage. They are entitled to exercise it without hindrance.

That George Washington's debating work has won her recognition is shown by the fact that Delta Sigma Rho, the honorary debating fraternity, has just authorized the installation of a chapter here. Out of thirteen applications but five were favorably considered. Syracuse and Virginia were the only other Eastern universities admitted.

Membership in this fraternity is limited to those who have participated in intercollegiate forensic contests. It now counts among its chapters most of the institutions prominent in debating circles.

This recognition was brought about largely through the efforts of Professor Veditz, who has done so much for debating at George Washington.

## MY FIRST LOVE.

There's a dear little chap comes a visiting me

Every eve as my fire's burning low,

When no longer the case in my law book I see,

And my thoughts off a wandering go;

He sits by my side, half asleep, so 'twould seem,

With his hand resting light on my knee;

That he'd play one false, one never could dream,

So pretty and trustful is he.

And I, foolish chump, let him linger, nor see

When all silent, his quiver and dart

He aims and lets fly,—then dances in glee

When he notes he has pierced my heart!

The elfin was Cupid! (You all know the rest,

And a lovelier bride you ne'er saw!)

The name of my sweetheart? Why hadn't you guessed

That I'd fall'n in love with the Law?

—R. L. H.

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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Because of the many complaints concerning the recent Athletic Association election the officers of the association wish to disclaim all responsibility therefor.

At the last meeting of the Athletic Council entire control of the election was placed in the hands of Mr. Henry T. Bright, a prominent alumnus of the University. All complaints should therefore be addressed to him or to the chairman of the Athletic Council.

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

### UNIVERSITY EVENTS.

Sunday, May 31—Baccalaureate Sermon, by Rev. Charles Wood, D. D., Belasco Theatre, 4 p. m. Candidates for degrees, members of faculties and trustees of the University and Colleges will assemble at the University at 3:30 p. m., in Academic dress, and march to assigned places. No reserved seats.

Wednesday, June 3—University Commencement. Address by President Needham. Conferring of degrees. Belasco Theatre,

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## TRUSTEES' MEETINGS.

Meeting of the trustees of the University, 1 p. m.

Meeting of the trustees of Columbian College, 2 p. m.

Meeting of the trustees of Washington College of Engineering, 3 p. m.

Meeting of the trustees of National College of Pharmacy, 9:30 a. m.

## STUDENT EVENTS.

Monday, June 1—Opening of the exhibit of the Division of Architecture, Architectural Building, 1532 I St., 8 p. m. Exhibit will continue until June 5. Open to the public.

Class exercises of the Law Class of 1908, University Hall, 8 p. m. Open to the public.

Tuesday, June 2—Prize debate between the Columbian and Needham Debating Societies. University Hall, 8 p. m. Open to the public.

Wednesday, June 3—Reception to the graduating classes by the president and faculties. Rauscher's, 9 p. m. Dancing, 9:30 p. m. Admission by card.

Saturday, June 6—Class exercises of the Senior Class of the Department of Arts and Sciences. University Hall, 8 p. m. Open to the public.



## TRACK TEAM'S SUCCESS.

Season's Remarkable Record Under Leadership of Sterrett and Fleming.

One of the most noticeable features of athletics at George Washington during the past school year has been the remarkable success of the track team. In the extent of its progress under unfavorable conditions, the work of this organization this year probably excels that of any other George Washington team.

Handicapped by lack of training quarters and insufficiency of funds, our men nevertheless succeeded in winning points in eight athletic contests during the season. The work of the relay teams as well as of the individual men has been such as to cause favorable comment on all sides.

Much of the credit of this success is due to Manager Fleming, who by his untiring energy in arranging for contests and in securing funds made active work for the other men a possibility. With all his managerial duties, moreover, Mr. Fleming found time to participate in the work of the team and on more than one occasion proved a potent factor in bringing victory to George Washington.



R. F. FLEMING

Mr. Fleming, who graduates this year, has been prominent in athletics during his entire connection with the University. In 1904-05 he was a member of the Freshman relay team; since that time he has been one of the most active members of the Varsity track team. He acted as Assistant Manager last year and because of services in that capacity was unanimously selected to manage the team this season. That Fleming's interest in school activities is not confined to the track is shown by the fact that when prospects for football were darkest last fall, he was among the first to answer the call for candidates for a scrub team. His popularity among his classmates is attested by his election to the position of treasurer of the Senior Class of the Department of Arts and Sciences. He

is, in addition, vice-president of the Senior Class of the Washington College of Engineering.

No history of the track team would be complete without a brief testimonial to the remarkable work of its captain, Jack Sterrett. Sterrett's achievements as a pole vaulter are too well known to require repetition here. He now holds the Southern Intercollegiate Championship for this branch of sport and those who know are confident in predicting that his work during the next few years will far surpass anything he has done so far. His work, however, has not been limited solely to vaulting. As will be perceived from the appended record he has been a prominent member of the relay team as well.

Mr. Sterrett will also graduate this year, receiving a degree of Bachelor of Science from Columbian College.

The record of the team during the season is as follows:

### INDIVIDUAL.

January 1, 1908. George Washington Cross Country Run at Brightwood, D. C. Fleming, 4th; Holmes, 5th. This team won the run.

January 25, 1908. George Washington University Indoor Meet, at Convention Hall. Sterrett, 3rd in pole vault; Cleaver, 2nd in high jump (from handicap).

February 15, 1908. Federal Indoor Games at Convention Hall. Sterrett, 1st in pole vault. Brame ran on All-Washington one mile relay; Fleming ran on All-Washington two mile relay.

February 22, 1908. Fifth Regiment Meet, Baltimore. Sterrett, 1st, pole vault (from scratch), height 11 feet 1 inch. Fontaine, 1st, shot put (from handicap).

February 29, 1908. Johns Hop-

kins Indoor Meet, Baltimore, Md. Sterrett, 1st, pole vault. Fleming, 3d, mile run.

March 21, 1908. Richmond Intercollegiate Meet, Richmond, Va. Sterrett, 1st, pole vault; Fontaine, 3d, pole vault.

April 11, 1908. Bloomingdale Cross Country Run, Washington, D. C. 1st, Fleming (from scratch); 7th, Truesdell (from handicap); 9th, Sterrett, (from handicap); 17th, Wenderoth (from handicap). This team won the run.

May 8, 1908. University of Virginia Intercollegiate Meet, Charlottesville, Va. Sterrett, 2nd in pole vault, 4th in 220 hurdles, 4th in 220 yds. dash; Fleming, 1st, 2 mile run; Wenderoth, 3rd in 1 mile run, 3rd in 880 yds.



CAPTAIN STERRETT

run; Schmidt, 4th in 1 mile run; Truesdell, 4th in 880 yds. run.

### RELAYS.

One mile against Catholic University, February 22, 1908, at Fifth Regiment Meet: Our team—Birney, Brame,

Sterrett, Clagett. This team won by about twenty-five yards, but was disqualified on an alleged foul.

One mile against Catholic University, February 29, 1908, at Johns Hopkins Meet. Our team: Fleming, Brame, Sterrett, Clagett. This team won easily.

One mile, against V. P. I. March 21, 1908, at Richmond Meet. Our team: Clagett, Fleming, Brame, Sterrett. This team won easily.

### ALUMNI.

Mr. Horace L. Jones, A.M. in Greek and Latin in this University in 1900, has been appointed Fellow in Greek and Latin in Cornell University. Mr. Jones, until recently, was a teacher in the Virginia Institute, Bristol, Tennessee, and has already won a high reputation as a teacher.

Dr. William A. Boyd, Medical Class of 1907, who is also a B.S. of Columbian College, has, through competitive examination, received an appointment as Resident Interne in the Hospital for the Ruptured and Crippled, New York City.

Dr. and Mrs. Renier J. Straeten sailed from San Francisco on the 5th instant for the Naval Station, Guam, Ladrone Islands, which they will make their home. Mrs. Straeten, who was married on the eleventh ultimo, was Miss Emeretta Root of the Junior Class.

The thanks of the class are due to Miss Cochran for the drawing which headed the Junior section of "The Cherry Tree." Members like Miss Cochran are a credit to the class.



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## SOCIAL LIFE.

The Columbia Alpha Chapter of Pi Beta Phi gave a most delightful dance on Friday evening, May 8, at the Woman's Building. The parlors and dance hall were beautifully decorated in the fraternity colors, a profusion of dogwood adding much to the effect. The chaperones were Mrs. Herron, Mrs. Wilbur and Miss Ellis. The music was excellent and altogether the evening was a great success.

Saturday, April 25, the local chapter of Pi Beta Phi was entertained in Baltimore by the Pi Phis of Woman's College. A most delightful day was spent catching glimpses of the college dormitory life, riding to a beautiful suburban home for afternoon tea and back to town for a most enjoyable banquet at Guth's.

Friday night, April 24, the Alumnae Club of Pi Beta Phi held their annual banquet at the Tea Cup Inn. Miss Lola Evans was toastmistress. The guest of honor was Miss May Kellar, Ph. D., of Baltimore, the Grand President of the fraternity.

Miss Hilda Beale entertained in honor of Pi Beta Phi Thursday night, April 30. Mrs. Arthur Stivers, who is in the city for a short visit, was present. A most enjoyable evening was spent and every one was sorry when the last fraternity song was sung.

## COLUMBIAN WOMEN.

The annual meeting of the Columbian Women, for the election of officers, was held in the Woman's Building on Monday afternoon. At the tea which preceded the business meeting, Mrs. Vance being absent, her place as hostess was taken by Mrs. Edgington. After a pleasant social hour the meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Herron, and the reports of the officers and committees for the year were read. The corresponding secretary, Miss Peet, reported a gratifying increase in membership and the treasurer, Miss Hazelton, gave a very encouraging report of the condition of the treasury and the various funds which the Columbian Women are sustaining. Then chairman of the Constitution Committee, Miss Clark, rendered her report in the shape of printed copies of the revised constitution. Mrs. Earnest, chairman of the House Committee reported

that the Woman's Building had in this one year of its existence thoroughly demonstrated its usefulness, it having been employed for the giving of a number of entertainments of various sorts, by the different organizations of the University, as well as by the President of the University himself, as well as furnishing fraternity rooms for two of the girls' fraternities, and a place of meeting for the clubs of the University. Miss Turner, in the absence of the chairman of the College Club Committee, Miss McIlhenny, reported the progress that the College Club had made during the year and the prominent part taken in the banquet by the George Washington women, and for her own committee, that on University Relations, that the year had been spent in investigations along various lines and in forming a groundwork for more definite work next year, this matter being one in which haste must be made slowly.

Following the reports came the election of officers, each of the following being unanimously chosen to fill her office: President, Mrs. F. E. Edgington; 1st vice-president, Mrs. John Paul Earnest; 2d vice-president, Mrs. E. B. Rosa; recording secretary, Miss Gillespie; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Merrill; treasurer, Miss Hazelton, and historian, Miss Grace Ross.

After brief speeches from the retiring president and the new officers, the meeting adjourned.

## CLASSICAL CLUB.

The May meeting of the George Washington University Classical Club was held in the Woman's Building on Tuesday evening, May 19, at 8:30 o'clock. The secretary, Miss McAvoy, gave a summary of the work of the year, which showed that this has been one of the best years in the history of the organization. Among the events of special interest were the following: The address by Consul-General Horton, of Athens, Greece, on "Athens of Today," at the residence of the president, Professor Carroll, in November. A lecture by Mr. D. G. Hogarth of the British Museum on "Excavations in Crete," at the ninth annual meeting of the club in January; the address by Professor Smith of Johns Hopkins University on the "Sappho and Phason Legend" at the April

meeting, which was combined with the evening meeting of the Classical Association of the Middle States and Maryland.

At the meeting last Tuesday evening Professor Carroll read Part I of a paper on the "Greek and Roman Novel," and reports were made by the Committees on Periodicals and on New Books. Miss Frances G. Bethune rendered several vocal selections. The membership of the club for this session is as follows: Professor Carroll, president; Professor Smith, vice-president; Miss McAvoy, secretary; Mr. Marye, treasurer; Asst. Prof. Peck, Asst. Prof. Peake, Mr. Hendry, Miss Burgdorff, Miss McCoy, Mr. Edler, Miss Evans, Miss McAvoy, Miss McMullen, Miss Moyer, Mr. Schoenfeld, Mr. Singleton, Mr. Gates, Mr. Van Vleck, Miss Conner, Mr. Marye, Mrs. Young, Miss Turner.

## EDUCATION.

The enrollment in the Division of Education for the year has reached a total of 90. In addition, eight graduate students are taking a major or a minor in education.

Professor Hough read a paper on "Why Train the Teacher" before the annual meeting of the American Society of Religious Education, held recently at the Calvary Baptist Church. After a brief sketch of the growth of institutions for the training of teachers, the speaker discussed the important difference between general and professional education, the reasons why the necessity of special preparation for teaching was not earlier recognized, why professional knowledge and skill are so essential, and what the principal elements of the teacher's professional training are.

Assistant Professor Reudiger will conduct a class in Educa-

tional Psychology at the Summer School of the University of Virginia.

An extended research on "The Intelligence of Raccoons," on which Dr. W. T. Shepherd of the Division of Education collaborated, appears in a recent number of the Journal of Comparative Neurology and Psychology, reported by Professor Cole of the University of Oklahoma.

Professor Ash's lecture of May 1st on "The English Renaissance in Architecture" was well attended, and listened to with unusual interest. He traced in a very instructive manner the gradual introduction of classical forms into the Elizabethan and Jacobean periods of English architecture, with special reference to the evolution of the manor house, of which he showed a large number of both exterior and interior illustrations.

On May 8th, Miss Ellis gave a lecture in the same course on "The Spirit of Italian Art." Her lecture showed an intimate knowledge of the development of Italian art, and insight into the relation between the evolution of art forms and the progress in the culture and civilization of the Italian people. Her audience showed warm appreciation of her unusually excellent lecture.

The final lecture in the course was given on May 22 by Mr. Harry S. Michie, Director of the School of Arts and Crafts. His subject was "Japanese Color Prints." He discussed particularly the period from 1700 to 1850, and showed nearly a hundred beautiful specimens of prints from this period, of which he has a collection of 500 or 600. His lecture, with the exceptionally fine illustrations, made a striking impression of the resources of this form of art expression, and was listened to with the closest interest.

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## MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The J. Ford Thompson Surgical Society held their last regular meeting for this college year on May 9, 1908, in the Medical Building. It is admitted on all sides that the organization of this society marks the advent of a new era in medical circles at George Washington. Unlike in the dim past with its awesome relations between "learned professors" and "eager students" the time has come when the student thinks for himself and questions instead of merely being questioned.

Dean Phillips sounded the key note which has imbued every member of the J. Ford Thompson Surgical Society with a spirit of research when he said at their first meeting "A man never knows a thing until he can tell it to some one else." Such an undertaking also brings the undergraduate element into closer touch with the graduate and professional element.

The character of the papers read also is bound to lead to the acquisition of breadth of view which tends to minimize the evil of the inevitable narrowness of thought which comes from simply working with an eye on the final examinations. The papers read during the year at the meetings of the J. Ford Thompson Surgical Society would be a credit to many of the graduate societies. Some of them entailed original work and actual experiments in the laboratory and clinics, besides a thorough review of the literature.

Some of the papers read were "The Causal Relation of B. Typhus in Typhoid Fever," "The Value of Leukocytosis to Counts in Surgical Diagnosis," "Diagnosis and Treatment of Brain Compression," "Surgical Shock," "Surgical Treatment of Tic Douloureux," "Treatment of Septic Peritonitis," "Diagnosis of Appendicitis by New Methods," "Treatment of Osteomyelitis," "Aneurysm and its Complications," besides many others. Among other cases presented before the society were a case of "Transposed Viscera" so ably demonstrated by Dr. Clayton and a case of "Stab Wound of Heart." These cases

were obtained from hospital clinics by the members.

There is surely not one member who was not benefited by being present at each and every meeting. At any rate it is assured that the idea of student societies in the George Washington Medical School have come to stay. The great strides made by the J. Ford Thompson Surgical Society are due in no small measure to Dean Phillips, Dr. W. P. Carr, Dr. J. Wesley Bovee, Dr. Jno. R. Wellington, Dr. L. H. Taylor, Dr. D. K. Shute, Dr. Chas. S. White, Dr. L. M. Hynson, Dr. A. R. Shands, Dr. E. P. Copeland, and Dr. Glenn I. Jones, all of whom attended the meetings and by their kind suggestions, good discussions and invaluable encouragement laid the foundations for a new line of progress in student life at George Washington.

—W. F. McL.

In order to arouse an interest in the study of topics relating to commerce and industry, and to stimulate those who have a college training to consider the problems of a business career, a committee composed of Professor J. Laurence Laughlin, University of Chicago, chairman; Professor J. B. Clark, Columbia University; Professor Henry C. Adams, University of Michigan; Horace White, Esq., New York City, and Hon. Carroll D. Wright, Clark College, have been enabled, through the generosity of Messrs. Hart, Schaffner & Marx, of Chicago, to offer in 1909 prizes under two general heads. Attention is expressly called to a new rule that a competitor is not confined to subjects mentioned in this announcement; but any other subject chosen must first be approved by the Committee.

1. Under the first head are suggested herewith a few subjects intended primarily for those who have had an academic training; but the possession of a degree is not required of any contestant, nor is any age limit set.

1. German and American methods of regulating trusts.

2. The logic of "Progress and Poverty."

3. What are the ultimate ends of trade-unions, and can these be gained by any application of the principles of monopoly?

4. In view of existing railway progress, should the United States encourage the construction of waterways?

5. Is it to be expected that the present and recent production of gold will cause a higher level of prices?

Under this head, Class A includes any American without restriction; and Class B includes only those who, at the time the papers are sent in, are undergraduates of any American college. Any member of Class B may compete for the prizes of Class A.

A First Prize of six hundred dollars, and a Second Prize of four hundred dollars are offered for the best studies presented by Class A, and a First Prize of three hundred dollars, and a Second Prize of two hundred dollars are offered for the best studies presented by Class B. The committee reserves to itself the right to award the two prizes of \$600 and \$400 of Class A to undergraduates in Class B, if the merits of the papers demand it.

2. Under the second head are suggested some subjects intended for those who may not have had an academic training, and who form Class C:

1. The best scheme for uniform corporation accounts.

2. Desirable methods of improving our trade with China.

3. The proper spheres of the

trust company and the commercial bank.

4. The relations of Oriental immigration to American industries.

5. The relative efficiency of American and European labor in manufacturing industries.

One prize of five hundred dollars is offered for the best study presented by Class C; but any member of Class C may compete in Class A.

The ownership of the copyright of successful studies will vest in the donors, and it is expected that, without precluding the use of these papers as theses for higher degrees, they will cause them to be issued in some permanent form.

Competitors are advised that the studies should be thorough, expressed in good English, and although not limited as to length, they should not be needlessly expanded. They should be inscribed with an assumed name, the class in which they are presented, and accompanied by a sealed envelope giving the real name and address of the competitor. If the competitor is in Class B, the sealed envelope should contain the name of the institution in which he is studying. The papers should be sent on before June 1, 1909, to J. Laurence Laughlin, Esq., The University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

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## JOURNALISM AS A CAREER.

Arthur Brisbane, the New York newspaper editor, has written the following article on "Journalism and Politics" in the Intercollegiate Civic League series:

"I am asked to answer this question: 'Should a young man on leaving college go into politics? If so, how?' The most important works of man are: Government, or politics; Original scientific research; Creative labor, in art, literature or music.

"He who does not give his thought to one of these three branches of human effort must necessarily do inferior work in life. The man who ignores politics because he lacks interest in humanity and in the problems of legislation, is no less contemptible than the man whose political activity is based upon desire for the profit it may yield him.

"The simplest, narrowest field of political activity is discussion with your neighbor. The widest field at present, with the possible exception of work in a few high offices difficult to reach, is offered by newspaper writing or management. If the college graduate realizes that he has thus far only 'learned to study,' if he combines a desire to learn with a capacity for receiving strong impressions and a real sympathy with the people; if he is willing to wait a long while, and perhaps indefinitely, for wealth, I should advise him to seek political and other useful activity in newspaper work.

"Journalism is in its babyhood. It needs new men, new energy, enthusiasm and earnest conviction above all. I saw in one young group of Columbia law students three or four men at least out of a dozen that would make useful newspaper workers. I believe that in devoting their lives to the fights of the people through journalism, these young students could find greater happiness than in selling their energies to corporation fights in the court room.

"Already it is possible for one newspaper writer in this country to talk to ten millions of Americans in a day. If the young graduate were taken back to old Athens, he would not miss a chance to have his say in the public square. The editorial column of a great newspaper is the public square of today. The man who talks in that column has the opportunity of the orator that addressed the ancient Athenian crowd.

"Politics offer innumerable opportunities for American ability of all kinds. Our government has become an industrial organization largely—a system of industrial feudalism better organized, already than old military feudalism. Concentration of industrial wealth and power means added government responsibility for the protection of citizens dealing with monopolies. The government will need hereafter especially capable business minds in politics, as well as mental leaders and political thinkers of the old kind.

"Newspaper work brings a man in contact with politics and politicians. It makes it easy for him to engage actually in politics if he wishes. It should convince him that the effort to influence politics for the benefit of people outside of office is more satisfactory than any work that can be done in office. Newspaper work of today is largely anonymous, and that fact is discouraging to those that would delight in the sound of their own names. But let a man select for his guiding thought the half cynical toast of old Teufelsdröck: 'Die Sache der Armen in Gottes und Teufels Namen.'

"Let him work as hard as he can for the millions of human atoms unknown to him, as he is unknown to them. Let him find satisfaction in good work and be content to say with the old philosopher of Weissnich: 'Two writings of mine, not indeed known as mine (for what am I) have fallen, perhaps not altogether void, into the mighty seed-field of Opinion; fruits of my unseen sowing gratifyingly meet me here and there. I thank the Heavens that I have now found my calling; wherein, with or without perceptible result, I am minded diligently to persevere.'

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First: That the Managers and the Captains and the Coaches of all athletic teams are subject to the general authority of the Athletic Council.

Second: That any Manager, Captain or Coach that willfully and knowingly ignores or refuses to recognize the authority of the Athletic Council in all matters pertaining to the control of athletics, or that violates any of the rules and regulations of the University, relative to athletics, shall be subject to discipline as follows:

A. If a Manager or Captain, he shall be suspended from office or function for such length of time as may be judged sufficient for his particular case; or if, in the opinion of the Athletic Council, the offense is of such gravity as to call for more severe punishment, the Athletic Council shall report the facts and its recommendations to the President's Council for final action.

B. In case of a coach, he may be suspended or peremptorily dismissed by the Athletic Council at its discretion.

### COMMENT FROM THE COMMONER

Never did hear a fellow tell a story but what some other fellow up and told another and a better one. Never knew a man to catch a big fish but what some fellow would tell about the one he caught that was much larger. No man ever had a wonderful dog, but what some other man was sure to come along and tell about the dog he once owned that would double discount it. Here is an instance that illustrates that prevalent trait in human nature—the desire to best the other fellow in yarn telling. This chap was a dentist, and strange as it may seem to some people who can see nothing attractive about dentists despite their drawing ways, this man was proud of his profession, and he made declaration of his pride at every opportunity. His skill and his gentleness were especial points of pride with him, and it was of these he was prating when he declared somewhat grandiloquently, "My work is so painless that my patients often go to sleep in the chair." There was another dentist present, and he must have been

moved by professional jealousy when he grunted and remarked: "Huh, that's nothing. Most of my patients insist that I have a photographer always on hand to take their pictures while I am at work so as to catch the expression of delight on their faces."

When this little four-year-old fellow fell out of the third story of his mother's house in Philadelphia the other day, the poor woman ran down two flights of stairs faster, perhaps, than woman ever went down stairs before. She was in great distress of mind and her distress lent wings to her feet. But fleet as she was she reached the street only after the crimson-dyed body had been picked up from where it had fallen. With mother care and woman-like control of herself under great strain, she directed the taking of the body of the loved one to a hospital, which happened to be within a couple of blocks. She didn't wait to wait over the child; plenty of time for that later. She didn't waste time summoning a health department ambulance or a police patrol wagon, but commanded a huckster who was right at hand to use his wagon. By this promptness she saved much valuable time, and as everybody knows in such cases the quicker first aid to the injured comes the better the chances for saving the sufferer. At the hospital examination showed that the little fellow was still alive, and like John Hay's "Little Breaches," he was "pert and chipper and sassy." In fact, he didn't seem to have anything the matter with him—not a bone broken, no loss of consciousness—scarcely a scratch. Whence all the gore, then? The explanation came in the demand of the huckster: "Who's goin' to pay for my tomatoes?" That was what saved the child. Tomatoes. It seems that the wagon of the huckster was standing squarely under the window from which the child tumbled. The wagon was full of nice red, ripe tomatoes. Into this soft cushion of vegetables the little one had fallen and it was the juice of the squashed tomatoes that had crimson-dyed the body. Happy issue out of a serious disaster; but, considering the high price of tomatoes, the incident may be said to have been something of a calamity after all.

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## MEDICAL CLASS, 1912.

EDWIN A. SWINGLE, Class Editor.

Robbie—Your Uncle George seems awful young to be a doctor.

Elsie—Yes, but he ain't a real growed-up doctor yet. I guess he's only tendin' to children first, so's to get some practice.—Exchange.

## FOLLIES OF 1912.

Bailey—Ye strenuous man.  
Brewer—Ye plugger.  
Burnet—Ye inveterate smoker.  
Castleman—Ye swift dissector.  
Christiansen—Ye saint.  
Crane—Ye songster.  
Davis—Ye Southern gentleman.  
Dyer—Ye great student.  
Ellison—Ye great traveler.  
Fisher—Ye society man.  
Fontaine—Ye heavy-weight.  
Garlock—Ye astute politician.  
Hales—Ye ladies' man.  
Houghton—Ye most popular man.  
Hunt—Ye owl.  
Janer—Ye fine fellow.  
Lashhorn—Ye great actor.  
Martin—Ye pretty boy.  
Parks—Ye Class artist.  
Pitt—Ye wise guy.  
Ralph—Ye dude.  
Ramsey—Ye fearless man.  
Swingle—Ye scribe.

First Student—"Well, have you finished dissecting the abdomen?"  
Second Student—"Yes; I'm going to open up the thorax tonight and take out the liver."

## NOT FULL WEIGHT.

Small Eleanor—"Papa, have you paid the doctor for the new baby yet?"  
Papa—"No, dear. Why do you ask?"  
Small Eleanor—"Cause if he charges full price I wouldn't pay it. It ain't near as big as the one he left next door."—Chicago News.  
H—nt—"I've been called to preach the wurd,  
Fo' the gospel mus' be hurd."

Prof.—"Please give the location of the lines forming the divisions of the stomach."  
H—n—"One of them rises from Poupert's 'sing,' doesn't it?"

## EASILY.

"Well, young Doctor Slicer has made his mark already, hasn't he?"  
"Yes; did it on his first case."  
"Great work! What did he do?"  
"Vaccinated him."  
—Cleveland Leader.

## JUNIOR MEDICAL.

McKnight: "Doctor, how far away must a person be to not feel the effects of the X-ray instrument?" Pretty bad, Mac; you had better keep out of distance of the instrument or else you will suffer the consequences Eldridge suffered.

Ha, ha, so Sorensen has been wearing imitation diamonds as was clearly shown by the X-ray picture taken last Thursday night at the Hospital. Say, Sorensen, you had better confer with your friend and adviser, Simonton, and see what he has to say.

Gochenour and Craft went on an Easter egg hunt at the Zoo, Easter Monday. It has just leaked out.

Keneippe has been keeping Lent for Fair. The boys heard a hen clucking in the room last week and everyone looked around to see where Keneippe was, and sure enough he had bought a hen and was carrying it home in the basket which we see him with every Wednesday. What's the price of eggs, Percy?

A Merry Widow girl  
Wore a Merry Widow hat;  
Lived a Merry Widow life  
In a Merry Widow flat.  
P. S.—Flat had extension sides especially adapted to such millinery.  
"Your teeth are like the stars," he said,  
And pressed her hand so white.  
And he spoke true; for like the stars  
Her teeth came out at night.  
—W. P. W.

Two days before Easter, J. Lester Brooks, Class Editor of "The Cherry Tree," was asked: "Where are you going to spend Easter Sunday?" Brooks replied: "I don't know just where I'll spend the day itself (probably with 'Pop' King), but I'm going to try to make a date for the evening with some girl that gave up kissing as her Lenten sacrifice."

Medical Editor—"What do you know?"  
Lind—"Nothing."  
M. E.—"That's good."  
And the fight was on.

## ANOTHER OBJECTION.

"I objected to the new gold coins because they wouldn't stack."  
"That didn't bother me. I objected to them because they wouldn't stick."

## CAPS AND GOWNS.

We give below a section of a speech by George Wolfe Shinn, D. D., that recently appeared in the *New York Tribune*:

The layman's opportunity for wearing his hood is usually some special function, as the laying of a corner-stone of a college, or the induction of a college president, or some great anniversary, or when he is sent to represent his college at a public conference. The hood has not been worn much in this country by clergymen and laymen until recently. In fact, the wearing of hoods by degree men in the United States has been exceptional. Occasionally some rather courageous person has worn his at some particularly august function; but grave and cautious deans and officials wonder whether it was wise to encourage an old-world custom like this, and the would-be wits have been disposed to have their fling at what they called the "fuss and feathers" and the "millinery" of men of learning. In fact, few of our American colleges have ever adopted hoods, and some of them have seemed to regard wearing them as a foolish fancy, or something rather puerile, if not entirely foolish.

Now, however, a change has come, and it behooves us all to know something about hoods and what they mean. Quite suddenly, to the surprise of many, there has been a complete reversal of prejudice, and thus good has come into large use on various civic, educational and ecclesiastical occasions. The installation of several new presidents of colleges made occasion for processions of hood-wearing representatives of sister institutions. The onlookers in general approved, and now in all probability whenever the installation of a college official and the observance of a college anniversary take place in future the representatives of other colleges will seek to grace the occasion by appearing in gowns, caps and hoods. At such ecclesiastical functions as the commencement of the Sewanee University in Tennessee, and that of the General Theological Seminary, New York, the brilliant

hoods of the vested clergy have been for years a marked feature.

One of the most potent influences for bringing about this change in the question of hoods, etc., was a commission which met at Columbia College, New York, in 1895. They suggested a scheme of colors and other details which has commended itself to American colleges generally, as historically correct and quite simple. By this plan the hood is to be of the same material as the gown (the latter being of black silk or wool) and is to be lined with silk of the color or colors of the college. The bordering of the hood is to show the "faculty" to which the degree pertains. Thus white is for a degree in arts or letters; scarlet for theology; purple for law; yellow for science; green for medicine; brown for fine arts; pink for music; blue for philosophy.

By this arrangement a doctor of divinity, who has received his degree from a college whose colors are orange and white, would wear a hood of black with a lining of orange and white and a border of scarlet velvet. A doctor of medicine from a college whose color is crimson would wear a hood of black lined with crimson silk and bordered with green velvet. A master of arts from a college whose colors are purple and gold would have these colors in the form of chevrons in the lining, and the border would be white.

There may be institutions that still disapprove of hoods, but certainly they are few, so that it is possible now for any degree man to get his hood. If the institution itself has not designated some fabricator in the neighborhood who is authorized to do such work, it is possible to order a hood from some of the robe-makers, with the certainty of getting the correct shape and colors.

The probability is that in a few years the usage of wearing them will become general, thus adding to the picturesqueness of the processions and gatherings at commencements and other great functions when college men and the men whom colleges have honored are brought together. There certainly can be no serious objection to a usage which gratifies the

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esthetic sense and honors the institutions conferring the degrees, while it virtually expresses appreciation of the degree itself. It is not flaunting something offensive in the face of others, or swelling oneself up with a sense of importance: but it is expressing one's acknowledgment of the honor the college has seen proper to grant, and also expressing one's own high sense of being admitted to a circle of learning. In course of time, it probably will be the usage of colleges to give the student his hood when he receives his diploma.

This was done with fine effect at a recent commencement of one of the most prominent American institutions. The successful candidates for a degree came forward together and stood before the president. As the name of the student was called, he stepped out from the line and the president handed him his diploma as an assistant put on the candidate the hood of that degree. Then the successful winners of the next degree came in like manner.

It was a vast improvement over the slipshod, uninteresting proceedings which so often have prevailed, and which tend to give the impression that the degree is not of much account. When industrious students win degrees, and when men perform services for the community which may be recognized by the granting of honorary degrees—the conferring of indications of scholarships and with dignity.

And who will complain if, besides the certificate, as an outward sign of the degree there come into use, on proper occasions, the cap, gown and hood?

### ARCHITECTURE.

Owing to the departure of Professor Remey, the work of the classes in design will be criticized by Professor Ash. The times for these criticisms will be Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 p. m., and Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 3 p. m. The advanced classes have problems due in New York the 11th instant and it will therefore require steady work in order to get in on time.

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It has been announced that the time for the completion of the Frontispiece has been set at May 16th. It would be well for those at work on this design to examine this notice on the Bulletin, for failure to finish on time means something.

Professor Albert B. Bibb has delivered an interesting, and it appears to us quite an exhaustive, series of lectures to his classes in History of Painting and Sculpture during the present year.

We do not know of any sculptor that he has failed to refer to, of course, and according to his method of describing the characteristics of various artists, it will be easy to remember. He had been listing some of the Italian Cinquecentos, Mino de Fiesole, the Rossignios, etc., and had come to Michaelangelo, where he dwelt on intensity of expression and feeling, if we recall correctly. "This fiery, furious, feeling," he went on, "is often attempted by late day artists, and if I may add a few more F's, they finally fall down."

This year's edition of the Annual, "The Cherry Tree," pleases us immensely. The presentation of the articles of the other Departments is good, but we feel a certain proper pride, of course, in what has resulted from the efforts of our architectural students, especially Messrs. Hooten, Bolton and Holmes. We are glad the opportunity came to them to help the book and represent the architects.

The work of the class in Perspective will be continued during May on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a. m. and 4:50 p. m.

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